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TO DIRECTOR MEMPHIS, BIRMINGHAM, LOS ANGELES, KANSAS
CITY, SPRINGFIELD AND MIAMI AND JACKSONVILLE..

FROM ATLANTA (44-2386)

Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. DeLoach	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Bishop	_____
Mr. Casper	_____
Mr. Callahan	_____
Mr. Conrad	_____
Mr. Felt	_____
Mr. Gale	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Sullivan	_____
Mr. Tavel	_____
Mr. Trotter	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Miss Holmes	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

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MURKIN.

SUMMARY OF INVESTIGATION, APRIL TWENTYFOUR, SIXTYEIGHT:
NEW AND USED CAR DEALERS IN ATLANTA AND SUBURBAN AREAS
HAVE BEEN CONTACTED AND SHOWN PHOTOGRAPHS OF RAY. SUCH CHECKS
CONCLUDED TODAY AND ALL NEGATIVE. PROJECT OF CONTACTING
INDIVIDUALS ADVERTISING AUTOMOBILES FOR SALE THROUGH NEWSPAPER
ADS BETWEEN MARCH TWENTYFOUR AND APRIL FIVE LAST UNDERWAY.
NEGATIVE TO DATE, CONTINUING.

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CAR RENTAL AGENCIES IN ATLANTA AND SUBURBAN AREAS
CONCLUDED TODAY WITH PHOTOGRAPHS OF RAY EXHIBITED WITH NEGATIVE
RESULTS.

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CONTACTS WITH CREW MEMBERS ON EASTERN AIRLINES FOREIGN
FLIGHTS THREE TWO ZERO AND THREE TWO EIGHT ON APRIL FIVE LAST
CONCLUDED EXCEPT FOR ONE STEWARDESS WHO WILL BE INTERVIEWED APRIL
TWENTYFIVE NEXT. SUCH CHECKS ARE NEGATIVE.

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STORAGE GARAGES, CITY OF ATLANTA, CONTACTED AND RAY'S PHOTOGRAPH EXHIBITED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. ALL OPEN PARKING LOTS VICINITY OF ONE ONE THREE FOURTEENTH STREET HAVE BEEN CONTACTED WITH PHOTOGRAPHS OF RAY SHOWN TO OWNERS AND ATTENDANTS WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

REMAINING CREW MEMBERS OF EASTERN AIRLINES FLIGHT ONE THREE THREE, APRIL TWELVE LAST INTERVIEWED REGARDING A PASSENGER RESEMBLING RAY WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. THEY CONFIRMED INFORMATION FURNISHED APRIL TWENTYTHREE, SIXTYEIGHT, BY OTHER CREW MEMBERS WHO STATED [REDACTED] WAS IN ERROR BY STATING ONLY ONE PASSENGER DEBARKED AT HOUSTON, TEXAS. THEY STATED NO ONE ON PLANE RESEMBLING RAY.

JIMMIE DELTON GARNER, GARNER'S SISTER AND WOMAN LINEN CHANGER AT ONE ONE ^E THREE FOURTEENTH STREET, REINTERVIEWED THIS DATE AND FURNISHED NO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

LEWIE RAYMOND DOWDA CONFINED COUNTY JAIL, MARIETTA, GEORGIA, [REDACTED] INTERVIEWED. DOWDA WAS ACQUAINTED WITH RAY AT MISSOURI STATE PENITENTIARY FOR THREE
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YEARS, ENDING [REDACTED], SIXTYSIX, WHEN DOWDA
RELEASED. DOWDA STATED RAY WAS DOPE ADDICT, USING INJECTIONS
AND WAS ADDICTED PRIOR TO INCARCERATION. RAY USED AMPHETIMINE.
DOWDA STATED [REDACTED] GUARD [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WAS FRIENDLY WITH RAY AND BELIEVED BY SOME TO BE SELLING
THE AMPHETIMINE. DOWDA CLAIMED RAY HAD UNKNOWN OUTSIDE SOURCE OF
INCOME TO SUPPORT A THIRTYFIVE TO FORTY DOLLAR PER WEEK DOPE HABIT
AS WELL AS FIFTEEN TO TWENTY DOLLARS PER WEEK OTHER EXPENDITURES.

DOWDA CLAIMS THREE NEGRO PRISONERS KILLED IN PRISON AFTER
PROTESTING DENIAL OF BLACK MUSLIMS TO WORSHIP. CLAIMED RAY
KILLED THE NEGROES OR KNOW WHO DID. DESCRIBED RAY AS RACIST WHO
FELT ALL NEGROES IN THAT PRISON SHOULD BE KILLED AND SAID RAY
MADE SEVERAL STATEMENTS TO EFFECT IF PRICE WAS RIGHT WOULD KILL
MARTIN LUTHER KING. DOWDA STATED RAY'S CLOSEST FRIEND IN PRISON
WAS NEIL ABBEY (PHONETIC) WHO HANDLED DOPE AND GOT RAY A JOB IN
THE KITCHEN. DOWDA DOES NOT KNOW NEIL ABBEY'S PRESENT WHEREABOUTS
BUT ABBEY WAS AT ONE TIME CHIEF COOK AT THE PRISON. ANOTHER

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to determine
current residence and
possibly Ray
has been in
contact with
him.*

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copy
numbers*

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CLOSE FRIEND WAS DONALD DEAN RIGGER FROM CALIFORNIA [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DOWDA STATED RAY WOULD ONLY HAVE AN ADDRESS FOR HIM IN CARE OF DOWDA'S FATHER, CHARLES ALFRED DOWDA, FORMELY [REDACTED] SANFORD, FLORIDA, BUT PRESENTLY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DELAND, FLORIDA. DOWDA DENIES CONTACT IN ANY MANNER WITH RAY SINCE DOWDA'S RELEASE. STATED ANOTHER FORMER INMATE, PAUL ALVIN LAIL, JR., AKA PAUL ALVIN CARTER, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA, WAS FRIENDLY WITH RAY AND DOWDA SAW LAIL EARLY MARCH, SIXTYEIGHT, BUT NO MENTION MADE OF RAY. DOWDA HAS NO IDEA WHY RAY WOULD GO TO ATLANTA.

MIAMI, CONTACT PAUL ALVIN LAIL, JR., WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA, TO DETERMINE IF RAY HAS CONTACTED HIM.

JACKSONVILLE, CONTACT CHARLES ALFRED DOWDA, [REDACTED] DELAND, FLA. TO DETERMINE IF RAY HAS CONTACTED HIM.

KANSAS CITY AT JEFFERSON CITY, MO., INTERVIEW GUARD, [REDACTED] CONCERNING RAY. ALSO DETERMINE PRESENT WHEREABOUTS OF INMATE NEIL ABBEY (PHONETIC) AND DONALD DEAN RIGGER AND

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SET OUT LEADS FOR THEIR INTERVIEW CONCERNING POSSIBLE CONTACT
BY RAY.

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